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Mr. Mark A. Durno ME-W USEPA Region 5 – Cleveland Office 25089 Center Ridge Road Westlake, Ohio 44145

Dear Mr. Durno:

Subject: Mahoningside Site

I received your voice-mail message of February 23 regarding the three soil and concrete debris piles generated by McCabe Engineering Co. during the summer of 2001. Your voice mail indicated that a plan is in the process of development to deal with those three piles. During our January 14 site walkdown with you, Brad Stimple, and representatives from the property owner, the City of Warren, we discussed a number of issues that were not addressed in your voice mail. It was our understanding that the following issues were to be addressed before a plan is completed:

- 1. The placement of concrete debris back into the excavated area at the site, as suggested by Mr. Stimple during the January 14 site walkdown. Based on our observations, the concrete debris represents 30%, or more, of the three piles that would not and should not require off-site shipment or disposal.
- 2. The placement of less than 50 ppm PCB-contaminated soil into the excavated area at the site per the city's Brownsfield Redevelopment Plan. Based on the existing McCabe Engineering Co. sample results, and additional onsite sampling, if necessary, it can be verified that most of the remaining soils in these three piles do not exceed 50 ppm of PCB and are not required to be shipped to an off-site disposal facility.
- 3. A discussion of appropriate sampling protocol and a mutually acceptable analytical lab with Kendall Moore, of the Region V TSCA office, which you committed to set up.

After we deal with these issues, an effective plan for disposition of the remaining three piles of soil and concrete debris at the Mahoningside Site can be developed. As we have advised previously, Ohio Edison personnel will be available for project management, to assure the

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appropriate disposition of materials, and for contractor oversight, to assure that all work is done properly. Ohio Edison's participation is also dependent upon our expectation and understanding that these would be the only additional Ohio Edison contributions for past and future site costs.

Sincerely,

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